

REMARKS

At the outset, the Examiner is thanked for the thorough review and consideration of the pending application. The Office Action dated August 2, 2005 has been received and its contents carefully reviewed. Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter of claims 10, 13 and 16.

Claims 1, 10, 13-14 and 16 are hereby amended; no claims are hereby canceled; and claims 17-20 are hereby added. Accordingly, claims 1-20 are currently pending. Reexamination and reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

In addition, Applicants wish to bring to the Examiner's attention the enclosed "Petition for Entry of Information Disclosure Statement in Multiple Patent Applications," filed by Applicants on August 5, 2005 in Patent Application No. 10/184,096. In that Petition, Applicants requested entry of the attached Information Disclosure Statement in the present patent application. Therefore, Applicants request that the Examiner consider such IDS and provide an acknowledgement of such in the next Office Action.

In the Office Action, claims 1-5, 9, and 11-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,340,644 to Becker et al. (hereinafter "Becker") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,905,559 to Fujiwara et al. (hereinafter "Fujiwara"). Claims 6-8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Becker in view of Fujiwara further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,139,639 to Kitamura et al. (hereinafter "Kitamura"). Claims 14-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Figure 3 of the present application in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,776,845 to Minami et al. (hereinafter "Minami").

The rejection of claims 1-5, 9 and 11-12 is respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested. Claims 1-5, 9 and 11-12 are allowable over the cited references in that each of these claims recites a combination of elements including, for example, "a syringe forming a seal pattern on the substrate by varying a position of the table, wherein the seal pattern defines at least one image display part of the liquid crystal display panel on the substrate." None of the cited references including Becker and Fujiwara, singly or in combination, teaches or suggests at least this feature of the claimed invention. Clearly, Becker does not disclose a liquid crystal display panel, as noted by the Examiner at page 3 of the Office Action. Fujiwara does not teach or

suggest a seal pattern defining a plurality of image display parts. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claim 1 and claims 2-5, 9 and 11-12, which depend from claim 1, are allowable over the cited references.

With respect to claims 6-8, the Examiner cites Kitamura as curing the deficiencies of Becker and Fujiwara. Applicants do not address the substance of this rejection, as claims 6-8 are allowable over the cited references for the same reasons as claim 1, as discussed above. Kitamura fails to cure the underlying deficiencies of Becker and Fujiwara, as noted above. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 6-8 are allowable over the cited references.

The rejection of claims 14-15 is respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested. Applicants note that Figure 3 of the present application is not acknowledged to be "prior art," but was merely provided for illustrative purposes for setting up the description of the present invention. However, even if Figure 3 is *arguendo* available as prior art against the present application, claims 14-15 are still allowable over the cited references in that each of these claims recites a combination of elements including, for example, "forming a seal pattern on the substrate by varying a relative position between the substrate and a syringe, wherein the seal pattern defines a plurality of image display parts on the substrate; aligning a start point of the seal pattern and an image camera; detecting an image of the seal pattern by changing the relative position between the image camera and the substrate." None of the cited references including Figure 3 of the present application and Minami, singly or in combination, teaches or suggests at least this feature of the claimed invention.. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claim 14 and claim 15, which depends from claim 14, are allowable over the cited references.

Applicants believe the foregoing amendments place the application in condition for allowance and early, favorable action is respectfully solicited.

Applicants herewith file a Revocation of Power of Attorney with New Power of Attorney and a Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) indicating that the undersigned is Attorney of Record.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at (202) 496-7500 to

discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance. All correspondence should continue to be sent to the below-listed address.

If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time, or any other fees required to complete the filing of this response, may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0911. Please credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 50-0911. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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